impossible for even a child to bring its fingers in such relation to the door and door-jamb as

to endanger them.

In Figs. 1 and 2 I have illustrated the guard as extending from the bottom portion of the door and door-jamb to a point near its center only, whereas in Fig. 6 I have shown the guard as extending from top to bottom of the door, and it will therefore be understood that the guard may be made of any length deemed desirable.

It is evident from the construction above described that the projecting arms of the auxiliary hinges will force the cover-strip 16 to assume the desired protective position at all times, whether the strip be new or whether it be worn by much service. Consequently the protective strip may be made of a very light material, and is preferably so made.

20 The covering-strip 16 for the hinge may be held in place by strips of metal or other suitable material arranged to secure the longitudinal edges of the strip to the door and doorjamb. The screws which hold the strip in place have their heads countersunk, so as to be flush with the surface of the strip.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters

Patent—

1. An improved door-guard, consisting of a flexible sheet adapted to be secured to the door and to its frame or jamb, crossing the opening at the place where the door is hinged, and auxiliary hinges attached to the door and

jamb, members of the said hinges being earried at an angle to the door and jamb within the said flexible sheet, for the purpose specified.

2. A door-guard consisting of hinges adapted for attachment to a door and the door frame 40 or jamb, each hinge consisting of body-plates, and pivoted arms horizontally projected from the said plates, one above the other, a rod connecting the arms of the hinges, and a cover sheet or strip adapted for attachment to the 45 door frame or jamb and the door, the said sheet or cover-strip receiving within it the said hinges, for the purpose specified.

3. An improved door-guard, consisting of a flexible sheet secured to the door and its 50 frame or jamb for the purpose of covering the opening at the place where the door is hinged, and hinges, each hinge consisting of two bodyplates, one adapted for attachment to the door-jamb and the other to the door, each 55 body-plate being provided with a horizontal pivoted arm, the arms of the plates being arranged one above the other, knuckles formed at the free ends of the arms of the hinges, and a rod passed through the said knuckles, con- 60 necting the hinges, the hinges and connecting-rod being within the space inclosed by the said flexible strip or sheet, for the purpose set forth.

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